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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

PHAN, LOC X.

Application No.: 09/641208

Filed: August 18, 2000

For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR  
LUBRICATING DENTAL  
APPLIANCES

Examiner: N. Lucchesi

Art Unit: 3732

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2001, please amend the above-referenced application as follows. A complete set of pending claims is provided for your convenience in Appendix A attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, please cancel "The present application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/466,353; filed on December 17, 1999, the full disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference."

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 7 and 14 as follows.

7. (Amended) A method for repositioning teeth from an initial tooth arrangement to a final tooth arrangement, said method comprising:

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